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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 1473

E.O. 11652 XGDS-1
TAGS: SNAR, SHUM, LA (UNFDAC)
SUBJECT: UNFDAC/LPDR AGREEMENT

REF: (A) GENEVA 9220, (B) VIENTIANE 1395 (NOTAL), (C) GENEVA 9581,
(D) VIENTIANE 1431 (NOTAL), (E) VIENTIANE 1443 (NOTAL),
(F) VIENTIANE 1438 (NOTAL), (G) VIENTIANE 1346 (NOTAL),
(H) VIENTIANE A-23 (NOTAL),

1. EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION IN ADDITION TO THAT CONTAINED
REF A AND REF B REGARDING BULGARIAN INTENTIONS TO PURCHASE LAO
OPIUM.

2. AN AUSTRALIAN DIPLOMAT BASED IN VIENTIANE TOLD US THAT
ACCORDING TO A DUTCH EMBOFF IN BANGKOK, THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT WAS
CONSIDERING FUNDING A \$4 MILLION PHARMACEUTICAL FACTORY IN THE
LPDR (AS INDICATED REF C). DUTCH EMBOFF REPORTEDLY DID NOT
KNOW IF PROPOSED FACTORY WOULD PROCESS OPIATE BASED PHARMA-
CEUTICALS.

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3. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION PARA 9 EF A, SOURCE OF REPORT PARA
5 REF D AND SOURCE OF REPORT REF C ARE ONE AND THE SAME.

4. COMMENT: A. EMBASSY STILL HAS RESERVATIONS REGARDING LPDR
COMMITMENT TO ERADICATE OPIUM PRODUCTION AND TRAFFICKING -AS
INDICATED REFS E, F, G, H).

B. HOWEVER, EMBASSY HAS RECENTLY RECEIVED REPORTS OF LARGE NUMBERS OF HMONG BEING SETTLED IN LOWLAND AREAS NEAR VANG NIANG AND BAN DONE WHERE THEY FACE MALARIAL STRAINS FOR WHICH THEY HAVE NO NATURAL IMMUNITY (SEPTIL). INASMUCH AS THE UNFIDAC PROGRAM OFFERS THE ALTERNATIVE OF MOUNTAIN RESETTLEMENT (RELATIVELY MALARIA FREE) FOR HMONG (AND YAO), EARLY INITIATION OF BOTH PARTS OF THE PROGRAM SIMULTANEOUSLY MIGHT HOLD OUT AN ALTERNATIVE FOR THOSE HMONG NOW TARGETED FOR RESETTLEMENT TO THE LOWLANDS BY THE LPDR.
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